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FOR NEA/ARN DAVID KORN

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SUBJECT: BOEING INCIDENTS

REF: BAGHDAD 148, 162

1. ON FEBRUARY 16 BOEING RESIDENCE BAGHDAD WAS ONCE AGAIN SEARCHED ACCORDING BOEING DOMESTIC. NO RPT NO AMERICANS PRESENT.

2. CONSULAR OFFICER AND I MET FOR ONE HOUR FEBRUARY 17 WITH J.P. FRANK, SENIOR BOEING RESIDENT TO REVIEW SITUATION. PRELIMINARY ADVICE TO FRANK BY LOCAL LAWYER IS THAT INCIDENT DESCRIBED BAGHDAD 148 VIOLATED NO RPT NO IRAQI LAW. WE HAVE AGREED TO FRANK'S REQUEST THAT, FOR TIME BEING, USINT MAKE NO RPT NO APPROACH, FORMAL OR INFORMAL, TO ANY GOI OFFICIALS.

3. WE HAVE ASSURED FRANK THAT TEAM OF BOEING BUSINESSMEN CAN COUNT ON TOTAL USIT SUPPORT AS APPROPRIATE. USINT HAS BEEN AND WILL REMAIN ACCESSIBLE TO TEAM DAY OR NIGHT.

4. MEANWHILE USINT ALSO REVIEWING IRAQI LAW ON SEARCHES AND SEIZURES. ASSUMING OLD U.S.-IRAQI TREATY OF COMMERCE
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AND FRIENDSHIP NOT RPT NOT ABROGATED OR RENOUNCED BY

EITHER SIDE, WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE
WHETHER IT MIGHT HAVE ANY BEARING ON CASE AT HAND.

5. NEW BOEING TEAM CHIEF ROY MEYERS ARRIVES BAGHDAD
FRIDAY EVENING FEB 21. HE AND FRANK SCHEDULED MEET WITH
USINT 0900 NEXT MORNING. WILL TRANSMIT FULL REPORT
FEBRUARY 22.

6. ABOVE REPRESENTS SITUATION AS OF 1600 HRS MONDAY
FEBRUARY 17. WE REGRET (BUT ARE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND)
OUR INABILITY COMMUNICATE WITH YOU MORE RAPIDLY.
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